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| Day(s), time(s) and location of Class | Wednesdays 4:00-7:50  
| CHD530 |

Learning resources:  
required readings, textbooks and materials  
Weekly Readings will be posted on the D2L

Prerequisites  
Dance 435 and admission to the BFA Dance program.

Course description  
Senior choreographic and/or performance project.

Course learning outcomes  
By the completion of this course, successful students will be able to:  
1. Investigate and practice the concept of creative drive  
2. Identify potent source material  
3. Generate and develop movement ideas from the body  
4. Devise structures for choreographic material  
5. Engage in an effective revisions process  
6. Direct performers  
7. Provide a rich and varied performance for another choreographer  
8. Identify a wide variety of dance performance and creation methods with particular attention to performance quality, rehearsal discipline, movement development, strategies, improvisational and compositional structures, and styles of performance.  
9. Understand what is required to make art that influences and responds to the world within and around us

Course schedule  
We will meet on the following Wednesdays 4 p.m. – 8 p.m.;  
4 p.m. - 5 p.m.: seminars;  
5:30 p.m. - 7:50 p.m.: presentations and showings.

  
September 11  
September 25  
October 9  
October 23  
November 6  
November 20  
December 4  
January 15  
January 29  
February 12  
February 26  
March 4  
March 18  
March 25
| Assessment components | Assignment 1: Research Report  
Due: October 30  
Weight: 10%  
Type: Written  
Description: 1000 word with appendices reporting on research to date, audition, rehearsal schedule and bibliography in progress. |
| Assignment 2: Fall Research Presentation and Work in Progress Showing  
Due: December 4  
Weight: 15%  
Type: Oral and Choreographic  
Description: 10-to-15-minute oral presentation on your research to date, including a work-in-progress showing |
| Fall Participation  
Ongoing  
Weight: 5%  
Description: Quality of your engagement with the course material during the Fall term, including attendance to readings, preparation for showings, feedback provided and feedback considered, and engagement in your choreographer’s process. |
| Winter Participation  
Ongoing  
Weight: 5%  
Description: Quality of your engagement with the course material during the Winter term, including attendance to readings, preparation for showings, feedback provided and feedback considered, and engagement in your choreographer’s process. |
| Assignment 3: Performance and Professionalism in Dance@Night  
Due: March 30 through April 4  
Weight: 20%  
Type: Performative  
Description: Performance in 2 (two) 10-minute choreographic works; one by fellow student, one by professional choreographer, and participation in the staging and production process. |
| Assignment 4: Final Choreographic Presentation in Dance@Night  
Due April 3-4  
Weight: 25%  
Type: Choreographic  
Description: 10-minute choreographic work. |
| Assignment 5: Final Paper  
Due: April 10  
Weight: 20%  
Type: Written  
Description: 3500-word process-as-research paper. |

| Assessment expectations | Expectations for Writing: |
Writing skills are important to academic study across all disciplines. Consequently, instructors may use their assessment of writing quality as a factor in the evaluation of student work. Please refer to the Undergraduate Calendar E.2 Writing Across the Curriculum policy for details.

**Guidelines for Submitting Assignments**
Written Assignments should be submitted:
- by email;
- in PDF titled with the student’s last name and assignment number;
- Formatted in 12pt, Times New Roman, Double-spaced, with student identification and date in the top left corner.

**Criteria That Must Be Met To Pass**
Students must receive a passing grade on the first term and final showings in both performance and choreography, must fulfill their obligation as interpreter to the choreographers by attending all rehearsals and showings, must participate in both evenings of Dance at Night, and must achieve a passing grade on the final paper.

**Late Assignments**
Students are expected to submit assignments on or before the due dates specified above. A student should contact their instructors in the event that they are unable to complete assignments on time. Late assignments will carry a penalty of 10% per day.

**Expectations for Attendance and Participation:**

**FOR GRADED DANCE STUDIO COURSES**
- A significant part of your grade is based on participation. Participation means not only showing up for class, but also attending to the material at hand with effort and engagement.
- With regard to participation, classes are considered equivalent to assignments. Thus, more than 1 absence during the year will have an adverse effect on your final grade.
- If you miss more than one week of classes, your final grade will begin to drop by as much as 10% per missed class.
- If you miss more than two weeks of classes, you have the potential to fail the course.
- If you show up late for or leave early from class, this will be counted as half an absence.
- If for some reason you are feeling unwell during class time, a substitute form of participation may be arranged; however, you may not obtain this privilege more than once and you will receive half an absence.
- For studio courses, if you opt out of full participation and choose to sit for a portion of the class, this will be counted as non-participation and will be marked as half an absence.
- Students are responsible for any and all material missed during an absence.
- If you sustain a significant injury during the term that will impact your participation for longer than a week’s worth of classes and if this injury is verified by a medical practitioner’s note, your case will be submitted to the Dance Division Committee to address your situation.
### Grading scale

For the course as a whole, letter grades should be understood as follows, as outlined in the section F.1.1 Undergraduate Grading System of the Undergraduate Calendar for 2019-2020 OR as outlined in the section H.1 Distribution of Grades of the Graduate Calendar for 2019-2020:

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<td>*D+</td>
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<td>Marginal pass. Insufficient preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject</td>
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<td>Minimal Pass. Insufficient preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject</td>
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<td>F</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>Failure. Did not meet course requirements. Several Faculties utilize an F grade that does not carry weight in calculating the grade point average. This will be noted in the calendar description as “Not Included in GPA” where applicable.</td>
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<td>Completed Requirements. Carries no weight in calculating the grade point average. This will be noted in the calendar description as “Not Included in GPA” where applicable</td>
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**Notes:**
- A grade of "C-" or below may not be sufficient for promotion or graduation, see specific faculty regulations.
- The number of "D" and "D+" grades acceptable for credit is subject to specific undergraduate faculty promotional policy.
- The following numerical rubric will be applied:

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[https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines](https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines)

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ideas begin. This includes assignments submitted in non-traditional formats such as Web pages or visual media, and material taken from such sources. Please consult your instructor or the Student Success Centre (TFDL 3rd Floor) if you have any questions regarding how to document sources.

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<td>The in-class use of computers may be approved by your Instructor. Cell phones and other electronic communication devices should be silenced or turned off upon entering the classroom. If you violate the Instructor’s policy regarding the use of electronic communication devices in the classroom, you may be asked to leave the classroom; repeated abuse may result in a charge of misconduct. No audio or video recording of any kind is allowed in class without explicit permission of the Instructor. For more information on Freedom of Information and Privacy visit: ucalgary.ca/legalservices/foip.</td>
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